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Serial No. 09/499,819 )  
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Filed: February 8, 2000 ) SWITCH NAME, IP ADDRESS, AND  
) HARDWARE SERIAL NUMBER AS  
Art Unit: 2142 ) PART OF THE TOPOLOGY  
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PRELIMINARY RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated August 25, 2005, please enter the following remarks to the above-identified application as follows.